



BUT WHAT'S
BOTHERING ME



IS THE FACT
THAT THIS CONTINENT HAS
BEEN SPYING ON DICATHEN
USING CAMOUFLAGING MANA
BEASTS AND RECORDING
ARTIFACTS...

THEY WOULD ONLY
DO THAT IF THEY WERE
SCARED OF US,

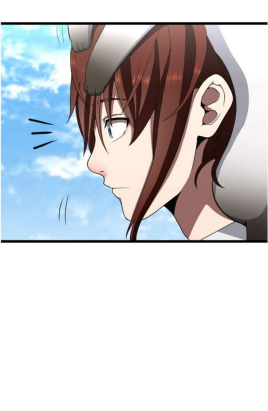
OR IF THEY
HAD MALICIOUS
INTENTIONS.

DID I DO THE
RIGHT THING IN EXPEDITING
DICATHEN'S ABILITY TO
REACH THIS NEW
CONTINENT?

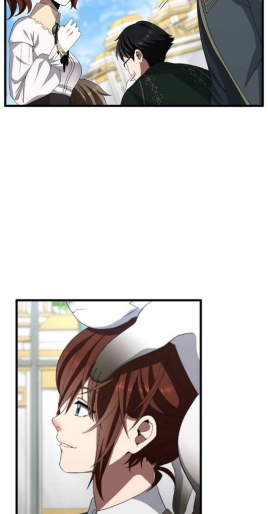
MAYBE IT'S
FOR THE BEST.

IF THEY REALLY
ARE HOSTILE, WE CAN
LAUNCH A PREEMPTIVE
ATTACK OR--

IS SOMETHING
WRONG, ARTHUR?

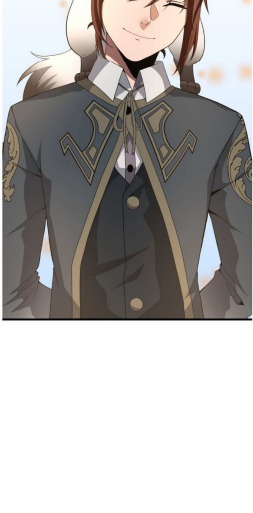
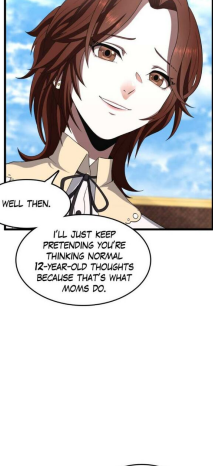


YOU LOOK
EVEN MORE
DISTRACTED THAN
USUAL.



OF COURSE
NOT.

EVERYTHING'S
FINE.



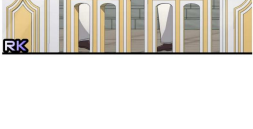
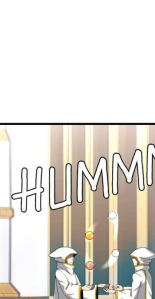
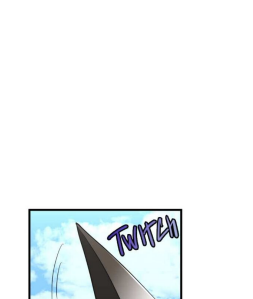
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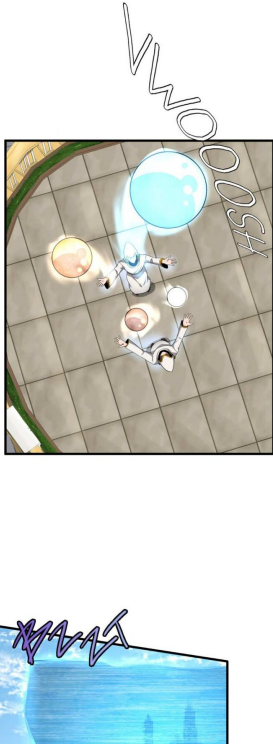
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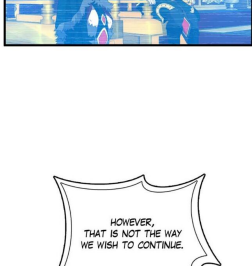
PRESENTED BY
TAPAS MEDIA
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KIDAI ENTERTAINMENT
MAIN ASSISTANTS/ALKALENZ
STORYBOARD ASSISTANT/PUTRI
COLORING ASSISTANTS/CHIBONIE & YUEJI
LINING ASSISTANT/MIKAGE

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...WHILE EVEN
THE DWARVES HAVE BEEN
CONSIDERED JUST BUSINESS
PARTNERS.



HOWEVER,
THAT IS NOT THE WAY
WE WISH TO CONTINUE.

WE YOUR LEADERS,
HAVE MET COUNTLESS
TIMES OVER THESE PAST
FEW YEARS IN AN EFFORT
TO UNITE OUR RACES.

TWO YEARS AGO,
WE AGREED TO ALLOW
MEMBERS OF ALL THREE
RACES TO BECOME
ADVENTURERS.

IT MAKES ME SMILE
TO SEE PARTIES OF HUMANS,
ELVES, AND DWARVES ALIKE,
WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS
A COMMON GOAL.

LAST YEAR MARKED
ANOTHER MILESTONE,

AS XYRUS ACADEMY
WELCOMED STUDENTS
FROM THE KINGDOM OF
ELENOIR AND THE
KINGDOM OF DARV.

NOW, A NEW GENERATION
OF MAGES CAN MAKE FRIENDS
AND MEMORIES WITHOUT
SUCH OUTDATED
BARRIERS.



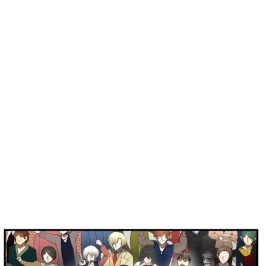
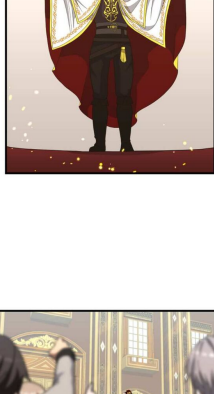
WE ALL UNDERSTAND
HOW DIFFICULT IT MAY BE
FOR SOME TO ADJUST
AFTER THE CONSTANT
ENMITY BETWEEN US.

HOWEVER,
WE URGE YOU TO LET GO
OF THE PAST AND ANY
DISCRIMINATION YOU
MAY HOLD, TO THINK
BEYOND THAT.



IF NOT FOR
YOURSELF,

THEN FOR YOUR
CHILDREN AND THE
FUTURE OF THIS
CONTINENT.





IT IS AN HONOR TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THOSE GATHERED HERE ON THIS UNFORGETTABLE DAY.



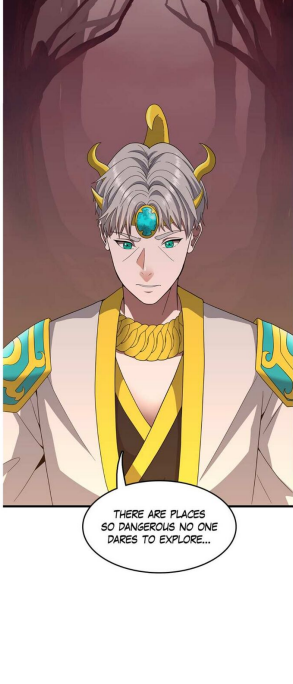
I AM IN FIRM AGREEMENT WITH THE MESSAGE KING GLAYDER HAS SO ELOQUENTLY DELIVERED REGARDING THE FUTURE OF OUR CONTINENT.

BUT ALTHOUGH WE HAVE A CLEAR VISION REGARDING THE FUTURE,

I CAN WHOLEHEARTEDLY SAY THAT THIS CONTINENT IS FILLED WITH MANY UNKNOWNNS.



HERE IN OUR HOMELAND OF DICATHEN,

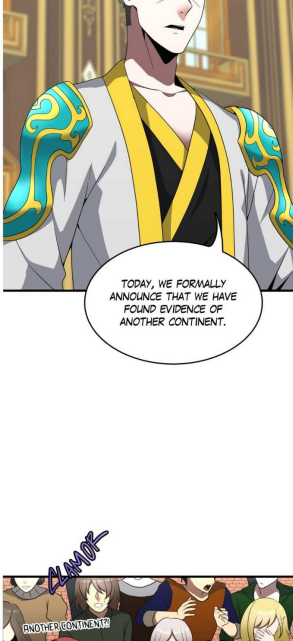


THERE ARE PLACES SO DANGEROUS NO ONE DARES TO EXPLORE...

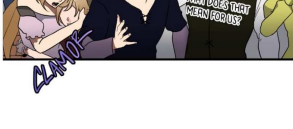


...BUT WHAT IF I WERE TO TELL YOU THAT EVEN GREATER MYSTERIES AND DANGERS ARE OUT THERE?

YOU HAVE NOT HEARD WRONG, FELLOW CITIZENS OF DICATHEN.



TODAY, WE FORMALLY ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE FOUND EVIDENCE OF ANOTHER CONTINENT.



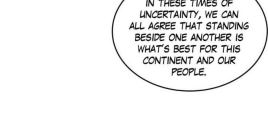
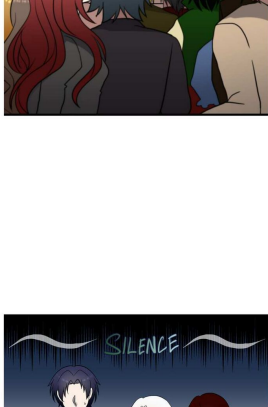
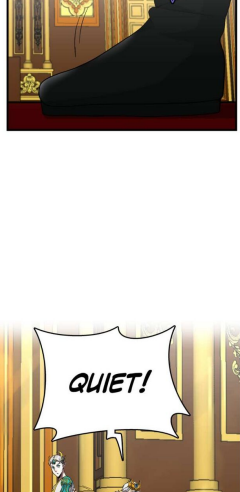
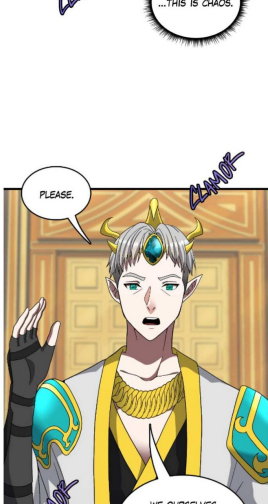
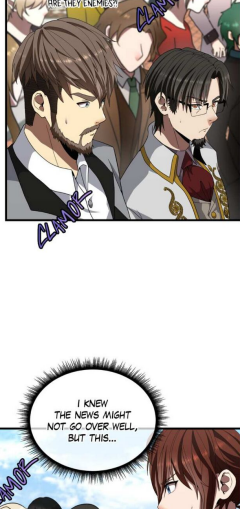
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ANOTHER CONTINENT?

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WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR US?

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WE MUST NO LONGER FIGHT AMONGST OURSELVES.



OUR APPEARANCES MAY BE DIFFERENT, OUR CULTURES MAY SOMETIMES CLASH, BUT REMEMBER THIS--

WE WERE ALL BORN ON THE CONTINENT OF DICATHEN.

I, FOR ONE, AM PROUD OF THAT



AND HOPE THAT FUTURE GENERATIONS WILL FEEL THE SAME WAY.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?



THE PROCESS OF BRINGING OUR THREE RACES AND KINGDOMS TOGETHER WILL TAKE TIME AND MUCH EFFORT,

BUT TODAY WE WILL BE APPOINTING SIX INDIVIDUALS.



THESE ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO WE, THE ROYAL FAMILIES, BELIEVE TO BE THE MOST COURAGEOUS, TACTFUL, INTELLIGENT, AND POWERFUL IN OUR RESPECTIVE NATIONS.



THEY WILL REPRESENT EACH OF THE THREE RACES ON A CONTINENTAL SCALE.

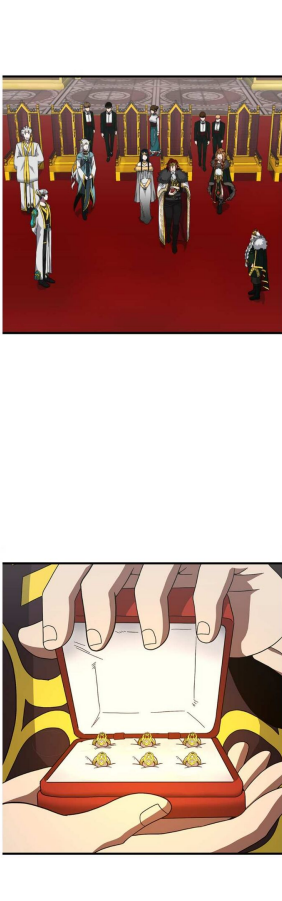
THE PRIMARY GOAL OF THESE SIX INDIVIDUALS WILL BE TO DEFEND AND MAINTAIN THE WELL-BEING OF DICATHEN.



THEY WILL BE WORKING ALONGSIDE US, THE RULERS OF THIS CONTINENT, TO ENSURE THAT OUR HOME IS PROTECTED AS WE MOVE INTO THIS EXCITING NEW ERA FOR OUR PEOPLE.

THESE INDIVIDUALS
WILL HENCEFORTH BE KNOWN
AS THE SIX LANCES.

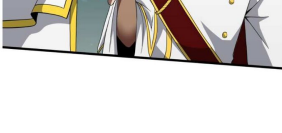
EACH LANCE
SYMBOLIZES THE TIES
WE ALL HOLD, NOT ONLY TO OUR
OWN KINGDOM, BUT TO THE
ENTIRE CONTINENT.



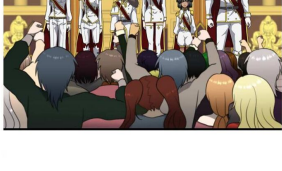
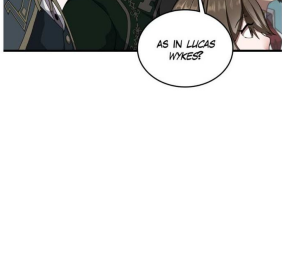
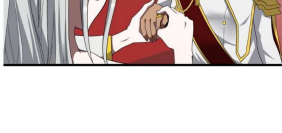
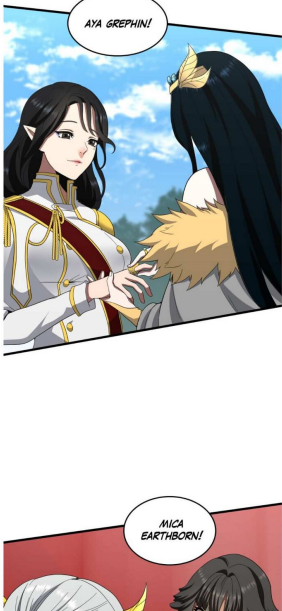
ALEA TRISCAN!



VARAY AURAE!



OLFRED WAREND!



NOT EVEN THE HEAVENS
ARE THE LIMIT!

